



THURSDAY EVENING, DEC. 12, 1906.

WHILE the speech of Secretary Root at the banquet of the Pennsylvania Society of New York in that city last night may appeal to the present administration in its greed and ideas concerning the centralization of power, it naturally brings forth protests from all lovers of the primitive institutions of this country. State's rights and State's sovereignty in the management of their internal affairs were precious legacies from the founders of our free institutions, and to hear their expediency questioned or prognostications concerning their stability are sounds which fall upon many sensitive ears. Shortly after the civil war Senator O. P. Morton, of Indiana, then tottering on the verge of the grave and in his last moments, was allowed to read a speech in which he said: "I have lived long enough to see the country pass through many changes since the scenes at Appomattox, when a four years' conflict in attempts to maintain principles guaranteed by the framers of the constitution were brought to a close. The cherished principles, however, were never relinquished by the southern survivors of the war, but might have in a measure prevailed over right. The northern republicans have ever since been disposed to regard State's rights as a rope of sand, and present conditions in the United States brought about, Mr. Root claims, by the States themselves, are urged by the dominant party as reasons for its entire obliteration. The issue is to be made in California, and Secretary Root is but preparing the way for a coup d'état which will prove to be a long step toward centralizing all power in the present executive in order that he may, without let or hindrance, wield his big stick when a constitutional impediment gets in his way. These are the conditions which are presented in the United States at the opening of the twentieth century. The secretary supposes that the future of the country under what he is pleased to term "our system of dual control is inadequate to the development of our national life and urges this as the reason for the breaking down of State lines and the gradual centering of power in the federal government." Mr. Root thinks the framers of the constitution could not foresee conditions as they now exist. Mr. Root adds that "the States must exercise their control or have it wrested from them." These are ominous words, and doubtless sound the death knell of free institutions in what was once a contended and prosperous country, not coveting colonial possessions nor becoming entangled in foreign alliances, from which so many of our troubles have originated and in consequence of which State's rights are menaced.

YESTERDAY the House slapped President Roosevelt's simplified spelling idea on the right cheek by passing an amendment to the legislative bill prohibiting the Public Printer from paying for any new fangled orthography after July first next. Chairman Landis of the House committee on printing is preparing a resolution which will be a slap on the left cheek for it will serve as an immediate order to the Public Printer to stop setting type in the Roosevelt way. The reason that yesterday's action of the House has no bearing on the present year's printing business is that the bill under consideration was for the next fiscal year's printing expense. If both these resolutions pass the House and Senate, as they are expected to do in very short order the President will be deprived of the pleasure of seeing anything printed as he writes it. His letters and messages from the White House will be typewritten in the simplified spelling and sent to the printer. The proof sheets that he will get in return will be changed to the spelling of our fathers. The White House clerks will change the proofs back to the simplified style and will send them back to the Public Printer with all the corrections carefully and plainly indicated. The Public Printer will thereupon bring out the finished documents in the old fashioned Webster way, completely ignoring the orders from the White House. It will place the Public Printer in a most uncomfortable position. The President gave him his job and can take it away with a stroke of his pen, but Congress pays him his salary and can withhold it with a word. As his job and the jobs of the thousands of his subordinates will not be worth holding unless they get their money, it is very evident that the orders of Congress will prevail. Mr. Stilling is expected to visit the White House on explanation missions very frequently. It is believed probable that it Congress spikes the

simplified spelling idea hard and fast the President will gracefully retire.

A MOVEMENT patterned after the Garden City Association of Great Britain, which is now building its first group of model workmen's homes at Letchworth, is about to be started in this country under the leadership of Dr. W. D. P. Bliss, who will, on January 1, resign the rectory of St. Mary's Episcopal Church, at Amityville, L. I., and become secretary of the Garden City of America. The object of the association, a most laudable one, is the founding of cities where men of small means may have attractive homes, with their own gardens, and combined, so far as possible with attraction of both city and country.

MR. CAMPBELL, of Kansas, yesterday introduced a resolution in the House providing for the appointment of a joint congressional commission to inquire into the relation of the tariff to trusts and monopolies, and the industrial and labor interests of the United States. The inquiry will but show, what everybody knows already, that the tariff is the mother of trusts.

From Washington.

(Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.) The great twenty thousand ton battleship authorized by Congress at the last session will be constructed on designs made by the Navy Department office of construction, according to a letter transmitted by Secretary Nonpareil to both houses of Congress today. These plans were recommended by a special board, headed by Assistant Secretary Newberry, from four sets of plans submitted by the board of construction, and six sets submitted by individual designers and ship-building concerns here and abroad. The designers claim for the proposed ship greater offensive qualities than any battleship now built, so far as broadside firing is concerned. This statement is made with knowledge of the Dreadnought's capabilities. Owing to the arrangement of interior structure and the distribution of armor, the letter states that "the defensive qualities of this vessel are believed to be distinctly superior to those of any battleship hitherto designed."

MR. J. G. Hiden, secretary of Mr. Rixey, has presented to the House in Mr. Rixey's name an affidavit to substantiate the claim of the heirs of Philip Houser, deceased, of Loudoun county, for supplies taken by union forces during the war between the States, and asked to have it referred to the committee on war claims; also a bill granting a pension to William F. Myers of 807 Washington street, Alexandria, with affidavits and papers to accompany the same; also a bill granting a pension to Mrs. Adeline Fisher, of Culpeper, widow of the late William Fisher, a union veteran.

J. C. McReynolds, Assistant Attorney General, has announced his resignation to take effect on the first of the new year. He intends to practice corporation law in New York. E. T. Sandford, of Knoxville, Tenn., the special agent of the government in charge of the investigation and prosecution of the fertilizer trust, and A. L. Hayes, of Utah, the solicitor for the internal revenue bureau, are mentioned as Mr. McReynolds' possible successors.

A vote on the compromise ship subsidy measure will be had by the House committee on merchant, marine and fisheries on Saturday, according to an agreement reached in committee today. Tomorrow the republican members of the committee will caucus with the hope of neutralizing their differences. The democrats of the committee, excepting Representative McDermott, of New Jersey, are opposed to the subsidy.

Developments in the House today practically assure legislation for an increase in salary for the Vice President members of the Cabinet, the speaker of the House and Senators and Representatives in Congress. Representative Littauer republican, New York, secured unanimous consent for House to consider an increased salary amendment when the reading of the legislative appropriation bill, now before the House, is completed. The amendment raised the vice president and speakers salary to \$15,000; Cabinet members to \$12,000 and Senators and Representatives to \$7,500.

Lon Burke, a well known woman living at 318 1/2 street, northwest, today attempted to commit suicide by inhaling gas. The house was full of gas when it was broken open by the police. Unless something is done within six days according to Senator Flint, of California, 2,000 persons will be driven from the Imperial Valley by the Colorado river which is now pouring into Salton Sink, and millions upon millions of dollars worth of property will be destroyed. Senator Flint called at the White House this morning to urge the President to take up the matter at once and lay the foundation for relief from the Mexican government. "All the damage that is being done lays plainly at the door of Mexico," said Senator Flint. "For it was through the carelessness of persons in Mexico that the river burst through its bank." President Roosevelt told Senator Flint that the State Department had already taken up the matter with the Mexican government, but thus far no answer had been received.

School Books. Mr. Richard E. Byrd, of Winchester, chairman of the legislative school-book investigating committee, called that committee into session in Richmond yesterday morning. The committee at once went to work to get at the bottom of the seeming trouble in regard to text books. From the questions propounded to the witnesses during the day it would seem that the committee is of the opinion that Virginia is being required to pay more for the school books used by the children than are other states, and the committee desires to know who is responsible for this state of affairs. Chairman Byrd, who has made an exhaustive research into the book question in recent months, plied the witnesses with searching questions. Among the witnesses called yesterday was Dr. Joseph P. Southall. It was pretty clearly demonstrated from the answers of the witnesses that there has been laxity among the members of the board in looking after the interests of the State.

Dr. Southall testified that he favored the multiple list of books because it gave the counties a larger list to choose from, the allegation being made that some counties need different books. He also said that the board desired to give the people in the cities a better book than the people of the country, because the cities practically support the schools. The investigation will be continued today.

News of the Day.

Frank Mumford, a Middletown, N. Y., shoe dealer, has been sent to jail for 60 days for kissing a woman customer. The Maryland Club, one of the most exclusive organizations of Baltimore, was indicted yesterday on a charge of selling liquor on Sunday.

A band of robbers yesterday held up the officials and cleaned out the Petersburg International Bank in Odessa, Russia, carrying off \$14,500.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company is acquiring the stock of the Cumberland Valley Railroad, giving Pennsylvania stock in exchange for it.

The British House of Commons yesterday came to open rupture with the Lords, rejecting the amendments to the education bill by 416 votes to 107.

A Montana man now living in Ohio is said to have married six sisters in turn, five having died shortly after marriage, —three by being killed by jealous Indian men in turn was killed by the husband.

President Paul Morton, of the Equitable Life, has called a meeting of the presidents of 30 life insurance companies to form a national organization to look after the interests of the corporations and policyholders.

The English government has decided to grant immediate responsible government to the Transvaal, declaring full confidence that under free institutions the prosperity and contentment of the Transvaal and its people will be permanently secured. Letters patent establishing a constitution have been issued.

Mr. Thomas G. Garrett, secretary to Senator Morgan, accused of libeling Belgium, makes denial of the charges and says the correspondence with Henry W. E. Evans and Rev. Dr. Richard Williams, of Washington, D. C. officiating.

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In St. James' Church, Warrenton, yesterday, Miss Anna Gordon Keith, daughter of the late Isham Keith, of that place, was married to Mr. E. M. Spilman. The ushers were H. C. Spilman, Day Spilman, E. Winston Payne, of Washington; S. C. Wortham, of Richmond; Lytham Fletcher and Lucien Keith, brother of the bride. The best man was Dr. Robert Spilman, of Norfolk, and the maid of honor was Miss Juliet Keith, of Richmond.

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Regarding the operators at Rangoon and Lawyers, it was shown that one of them was employed by the company before he was 20 years of age. The other is only 17. Neither had sent a message, commercial or otherwise, on his own responsibility when he was placed in the block system tower with the responsibility of hundreds of lives in his hands.

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The hearing was held for the purpose of demonstrating officially that the road is badly conducted and that the lives of passengers on trains are endangered by the methods in vogue, the youth of the employees and their lack of experience.

The facts brought out by the investigation were:

Block system of Southern Railway is in charge of youths.

Night and day operators change and exchange shifts at their convenience.

Operators have visitors during working hours.

Operators have no fixed and abbreviated signal system to suit their convenience.

Patrick's Appeal Dismissed.

Wasington, Dec. 13.—The motion to dismiss Albert Patrick's appeal was made in the Supreme Court by ex-Senator Lindsay shortly after noon today. Chief Justice Fuller promptly directed the clerk to dismiss the case and issue the mandate. Should Governor Higgins fail to take up the case and either commute the sentence or free Patrick, the condemned man, by the action taken today, will have deprived himself of all legal means of escaping the electric chair.

Virginia News.

Emil Sauer, a bridegroom, has mysteriously disappeared from Norfolk.

The municipal lighting project for Lynchburg was killed by the Board of Aldermen Tuesday night.

The lively stable of James McDonald & Co. in Richmond was gutted by fire at an early hour yesterday morning.

James Ward, sentenced to hang in Richmond Friday, for murder, protests against the governor granting him a respite to January 18. He says he wants to die.

George J. Herring, eighty-five years of age, died yesterday at his home in Richmond, after an illness of several weeks. He had retired from business several years ago on account of advanced age.

The cornerstone of the new Grace Episcopal Church, at Newport News, Rev. Beverly Estill, pastor, was laid yesterday by Bremond Lodge of Masons. The church will be completed in six months.

It is announced that the Anheuser-Busch Brewing Association has purchased a site in Lynchburg, on which it proposes to establish a depot for distribution purposes, spending about \$250,000 in the improvement.

Mr. George S. Shackelford, an old and most respected citizen of Richmond, was killed by a train on the James River Division of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad, at Haxall, three miles above Richmond, at 7 o'clock yesterday evening.

The wedding of Miss Mary Louise Herbert to Mr. Ira Branch Johnson, of Norfolk, was celebrated yesterday in Monumental Church, Richmond. Rev. Dr. W. E. Evans and Rev. Dr. Richard Williams, of Washington, D. C. officiating.

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The Market. Georgetown, D. C., Dec. 13.—Wheat 65 1/4.

Today's Telegraphic News

Conflict Between Church and State. Paris, Dec. 13.—Since six o'clock this morning masses have been held in all French Catholic churches at frequent intervals. Except for evident strain and expectancy, there was nothing beyond the usual crowds to indicate the crisis. Fears that firebrands would enter the churches to create disturbances, and so hasten government action, were dispelled by stringent police orders to arrest any disturber whether he be a supporter of the government or the church. In the Church of the Madeleine a boy of 16 kept his hat on and was promptly arrested. At all churches government agents were present in plain clothes to get the names of the officiating priests. Later 60 priests were summoned to the prefecture of the police to answer a charge of saying mass without legal authority.

This morning two laymen made the necessary legal application for the continuation of worship in the parish church of St. Thomas Aquinas. In Toulouse such applications were made for all the churches which thus become "authorized" and legally entitled to be used for religious purposes. It is probable that the Vatican will disavow the acts of these laymen, but government proclamations proclaim the Vatican a "foreign" power, and will pay no attention to its edicts.

Today a large staff of clerks are reading and compiling the 30,000 letters and papers captured at the papal nunciature. Many of these will be published in an effort to show that the high churchmen were in a conspiracy against the public. Both sides are doing everything they can think of to win public opinion.

"Persecution" and "confiscation" are the words most used by the Catholic party. "Patriotism" and "no outside interference in the affairs of France" are the slogans of the anti-clerical party.

In hundreds of communes outside of Paris parish priests were summoned for having said mass today without legal authorization.

In Bordeaux laymen at the last moment sought to obtain the government's authorization. Whether or not any priests have encouraged these applications is not known.

Anxiety now centers on how the government will proceed against recalcitrant priests.

Crisis in Germany. Berlin, Dec. 13.—Emperor William's authorization of Chancellor von Buelow to dissolve parliament and order new elections unless parliament adopted supplementary appropriations asked by the government for German southwest Africa has developed an acute crisis in the quarrel between the crown and legislature.

Prince von Buelow's successful efforts to effect a compromise have been completely wrecked. Amid the greatest excitement the Reichstag today began the discussion of the African estimates. If the house confirms the report of the budget committee, refusing the funds asked, it will precipitate an open conflict with the Kaiser. Realizing the importance of the issue involved, great crowds filled the galleries to listen to the debate.

By the terms of an imperial decree read by Chancellor von Buelow today the German Reichstag was dissolved. The dissolution, a result of the growing trouble between the Kaiser and the legislative body followed the rejection of the estimates of the emperor on the cost of maintaining the German force in southwest Africa. The Reichstag refused the Kaiser's estimates, the negative votes having a majority of ten. Von Buelow then read the decree dissolving the body.

Accident on Bicycle Track.

New York, Dec. 13.—The six-day bicycle race was halted for nearly two hours today as the result of a bad spill of eleven of the thirteen riders, which occurred in a wild sprint. Hollister was severely hurt and lay unconscious in his cot beside the track for more than two hours. The accident occurred at 7:35 and the contest was halted until nine o'clock. Fogler and Root started to gain a lap, and set a terrific pace. As the racers tore into the "hoo-doo" turn Fogler ran into Hollister. All riders except two were thrown. Hollister lay unconscious beside the track and near him were Folger and Downey, half stunned. The wild applause of the crowd cheering the sprinters was silenced. The officials dropped a flag, stopping the race, and the riders were assisted to their dressing rooms. Hollister was at first thought to be fatally injured, but his trainer thinks that with a few hours' rest he may be able to continue in the race. Twelve teams are still tied for first place, with Walshour and Bedell, the favorites, a lap behind.

Mysterious Shooting.

New York, Dec. 13.—While he stood clasping the hand of a friend who had come to wish him many happy returns of his birthday, which was being celebrated, three pistol shots fired in quick succession startled the guests of Frank Massa, one of the wealthiest Italian merchants of Bath Beach, at an early hour this morning, and the host lurched forward into the arms of one his guests dead. A crowd had assembled at the Massa home to celebrate the owner's 45th birthday. Late in the evening Massa was engaged in conversation with three strangers, one of whom was heard to demand that he give up. Massa turned on his heel and left them. It was as the guests were preparing to leave that the shooting occurred. Massa had received numerous threatening letters in the past two weeks, signed "Black Hand," and today the police are searching for the Italian black mailers.

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Government for the Transvaal.

London, Dec. 13.—The government has decided to grant immediate responsible government to the Transvaal. It has declared "full confidence that under free institutions the prosperity and contentment of the Transvaal and its people will be permanently secured." A constitution has been issued.

Deadly Serpent Bites.

As is common in India as the stomach and liver disorders with us. For the latter however there is a sure remedy: Electric Bitters; the great restorative medicine, of which S. A. Brown, of Bennettville, S. C., says: "They restored my wife to perfect health, after years of suffering with dyspepsia and chronic constipation." Electric Bitters cures cholera, fever, malaria, biliousness, nerve back, kidney troubles and bladder disorders. Sold on guarantee by E. S. Leadbeater & Sons, druggists, Price 50c.

The Market.

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Gilette's Train Bombed.

Auburn, N. Y., Dec. 13.—Chester Gillette made the journey from Oacida to Auburn, where he has an engagement to be electrocuted, in the private car of "The Runaway" company surrounded by hysterical chorus girls. At Syracuse there was a mob of 10,000 at the station. The car was bombarded by flowers and bricksbats, representing the divergent sentiment of the people.

Morgan to Make Donation.

New York, Dec. 13.—Reports are current here today that Mr. J. P. Morgan, is to make New York City a donation in connection with art which will far surpass any gift the city received. It is said that the donation will be in connection with art and with a central park structure. This might mean a building adjoining the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Attempted Suicide.

New York, Dec. 13.—Rankin Duvall, a protégé of Edwin Booth and a member of Belasco's company, attempted hari-kari in a Kishito saloon today. He will die. Unbuttoning his overcoat Duvall took a 12-inch knife from the lunch-room, and placing the point against his abdomen he threw himself to the floor. The knife pierced his vitals.

Thirty-Five Men Killed.

Belgrade, Servia, Dec. 13.—Thirty-five men were killed outright and hundreds wounded in a desperate battle fought in a mountain pass near Giakovica, Macedonia, just before daybreak. About two thousand Albanian tribesmen were engaged for nearly three hours.

New Trial Refused.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 13.—Robert S. Frazer this morning refused a new trial to Clifford Bosc, the negro coachman, formerly employed by Augusta Harp, recently convicted of perjury and making false depositions against Mrs. Mary Scott Harp.

Hose was called before the bar and sentenced to six years imprisonment in the penitentiary and a fine of \$50.

Fifty-ninth Congress.

Washington, Dec. 13.

SENATE. Immediately after the opening of the Senate today a bill was passed providing rules and regulations for fishing craft at sea. It is in furtherance of the purpose of the maritime congress to prevent collisions.

Senator Dubois, of Idaho, in a speech in the Senate this afternoon, denouncing the Mormon hierarchy, and urging that Reed Smoot, the Apostle of that Church, be driven from his seat in the body, charged that President Roosevelt had knowingly and willingly aided the Idaho Mormons in the last State election. He declared that Governor Gooding, the republican candidate for Governor, was the recognized Mormon candidate while his opponent, who as Chief Justice of Idaho, delivered the opinion refusing the writ of habeas corpus for the three labor leaders charged with murder, stood on a radical Democratic platform to Mormon dictation. Notwithstanding this, he says, the President sent Secretary Taft into Idaho to rally the republicans to the standard of Governor Gooding. "The non-Mormon citizenship of Utah and of Idaho, think they are entitled to the support of law-abiding citizens everywhere in their efforts to maintain American citizenship in those Mormon States," he declared, "and if they cannot receive that, they have the right to demand that the President of the United States shall not use the great power vested in him in the interests of this law-defying and un-American organization in its determination to rule the politics of this section of our country."

The Secretary of War notified the Senate this afternoon that he had called upon the governor of the Philippines for a detailed report of the recent death of inmates of the Bilibid prison on account of the administration of plague serum.

The Senate agreed this afternoon that when it adjourns today it be until Monday.

HOUSE.

The House today adopted a resolution calling upon the Secretary of the Interior to furnish a complete list of all public land withdrawals since last July.

Testimony was given the House committee on agriculture today by editors of farm journals to show that the American press has not been influenced by pecuniary inducements to take up the fight against the government-owned seed grain.

The House committee on banking and currency today heard Joseph T. Falout, of Chicago, and J. C. Walruff, of Pittsburg, on the elastic currency proposition.

A bill was acted upon favorably today by the Senate committee on Indian affairs directing the Secretary of the Interior to allow any well behaved Indian to draw from the treasury his prorata share of any tribal or trust funds held by the government.

The House today unanimously passed the Miller resolution directing the Secretary of Department of Commerce and Labor to inquire into the high prices of lumber and to gather all evidence showing the existence of a trust.

Mr. Hayes, of California, offered a resolution calling upon Secretary Taft to inform Congress whether it is the government's policy to engage Chinese or Japanese coolies on the Panama canal and if so how many are now at work or engaged and under what conditions they labor.

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DIED OF HIS WOUNDS.

Former Senator Arthur Brown, of Utah, who was shot Saturday afternoon last, in the Raleigh Hotel, in Washington, by Mrs. Anna M. Bradley, died at midnight last night at the Emergency Hospital, with only his son, daughter, and Dr. William L. Sheep present. He remained conscious to the end, yet protested to the last he would not die, and, consequently, made no ante-mortem statement, capable of being used at the trial of his slayer.

"My God! I did not mean to kill him," Mrs. Bradley said when she was told of his death. During the last day of his life, however, the former Senator had declared that when he had recovered he would prosecute to the bitter end the woman who had shot him. The hope of forgiveness had been cherished as illusory, had he lived, as it is now, when sworn law officers must decide the law's course.